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DECREASE IN GSM SUBSCRIBERS
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Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the number of Global System for Mobile Communications (GSM) users of Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) is decreasing continuously;

(b) if so, whether any steps are being taken in this regard;

(c) if so, the details thereof;

(d) the total number of GSM users at present, company-wise and State-wise;

(e) whether the existing equipments are being updated in proportion to the increasing number of users; and

(f) if so, the details thereof, State-wise?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (DR. SHAKEEL AHMAD)

(a) No, Sir.

(b) Does not arise in view of (a) above.

(c) Does not arise in view of (b) above.

(d) Details regarding total number of Global Service for Mobile communication (GSM) users, are given in Annexure-I.

(e) Yes, Sir.

(f) Bharat Sanchar Nigam Limited (BSNL) has set a target of 8.85 million subscribers for the year 2007-08. Details regarding targets is given in Annexure-II.